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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

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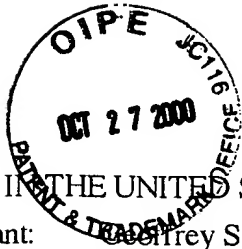
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OCTOBER 24, 2000

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

This is a reply to a notice of missing parts dated 09/29/2000 concerning nonprovisional application serial number 09/638,743. In the notice, the Office informed Applicant of a missing declaration. Checking back to our file, Applicant believes that there may have been an oversight on the part of the Office and requests that the Office re-check the Office's file for the presence of the declaration. In the event the declaration is not found the Applicant has included with this letter a signed declaration. Please charge any fees to deposit account 10-0210 in the event that the declaration is not found in the file.

Respectfully submitted,  
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